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SUBJECT: TRIP TO PRETORIA

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1. I CAN CERTAINLY PLAN BE IN PRETORIA EITHER SUNDAY, OCT. 2 OR MONDAY, OCT 3. IF NOTHING ELSE INTERVENES COULD THEN PARTICIPATE AT LEAST IN LESOTHO CELEBRATIONS, OCT. 4 WHICH IS ACTUAL ANNIVERSARY DATE.

2. I GATHER FROM BRITISH THAT DECISION TO GO TO PRETORIA IS STILL OPEN BUT I AM UNCLEAR WHAT WILL DETERMINE WHETHER IT IS NECESSARY.

3. OBVIOUSLY MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENT WILL BE MY INSTRUCTIONS AND TALKING POINTS FOR RHODESIANS AND, CONCEIVABLY, SOUTH AFRICANS.

4. SECTO 28013 AND 28015 JUST RECEIVED. SHOULD I ASSUME THAT CONTACT WITH RHODESIANS AT THIS POINT WILL BE LIMITED TO US OR IS IT STILL POSSIBLE THAT ROWLANDS WILL GO TO PRETORIA LATER? IN MY LAST CONVERSATION WITH DUFF BEFORE MESSAGES ARRIVED (30 MINUTES AGO) HE SHOWED NO AWARENESS OF POSSIBLE CHANGE IN PLANS.

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5. WITH EXACT TIME DEPENDING ON PROBABLE US/UK
TALKS WITH KAUNDA AND KHAMA, I WILL PLAN LEAVE GABORONE
MORNING OF OCT 1. CONTIGENT ON RECEIVING NECESSARY TALKING
POINTS COULD MEET WITH RHODESIANS WITHER SATURDAY OR SUNDAY.

6. REQUEST DEPT. PREPARE SUITABLE MESSAGES TO
MBABANE INFORMING EMBASSY OF CHANGE IN PLANS AND HOLD OFF ON
ANY CHANGES FOR MASERU AT THIS TIME.

7. DEPARTMENT PASS PRETORIA IMMEDIATE
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